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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION

In response to the restriction requirement of December 27, 2007, Applicants Elect Group I, E, iii., with traverse.

Applicants detailed the improper nature of the Examiner's original restriction in their response of October 3, 2007. Applicants hereby incorporate the reasons noted as to why the restriction is fatally improper here. Applicants note that the careful analysis of correct restriction practice previously presented is unanswered by the current new restriction, which simply compounds the problems previously detailed, by presenting a further improper restriction based upon "carotinoid biosynthetic polypeptides."

The correct restriction procedure to be used in the situation where a purely generic claim encompasses multiple species is election of species practice, as specified by 37 C.F.R. § 1.146. In addition to being the only correct procedure in the present circumstances, election practice is no more burdensome than the restriction approach noted by the Examiner. Specifically, if a generic claim and elected species are examined and found to be unpatentable, the application is limited to the elected species. If the genus claim is patentable, no further searching is necessary